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1. AT OCTOBER 9 ECONADS MEETING THE CANADIAN REP (HERMAN)

NOTED THAT ACCORDING TO WORD HE HAD RECEIVED FROM CANADIAN MISSIONS

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TO ECE AND UNESCO THERE SEEMED TO BE LITTLE LIKELIHOOD OF CONCRETE
MOVES TOWARD BASKET II IMPLEMENTATION IN THESE FORA WITHIN THE
NEXT SIX MONTHS OR SO. IN THAT LIGHT, HE QUESTIONED WHETHER A
MEETING HERE, REINFORCED FROM CAPITALS WOULD BE USEFUL IN THE NEAR

TERM. WHILE THERE WAS NO POLL, OTHER REPS (PARTICULARLY THOSE OF EC NINE) NODDED ASSENT.

2. CHAIRMAN BILLY POINTED OUT THAT THE POLADS ARE COORDINATING A REPORT TO THE NAC, IN PREPARATION TO THE DECEMBER MINISTERIAL, ON ALL ASPECTS OF CSCE IMPLEMENTATION, AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN ECONOMIC COMMITTEE INPUT TO THAT REPORT. USECONAD RECALLED THAT HE HAD CIRCULATED COPIES OF THE SUGGESTED CHECK LIST (FROM REF B) ORIGINALLY MADE AVAILABLE BY US TO POLADS, AND REITERATED HOPE THAT OTHER ALLIES WOULD BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO REPORTING ON SOV/EE COMPLIANCE. HE ALSO NOTED THAT US LIST WAS ILLUSTRATIVE AND OTHER ALLIES MIGHT HAVE ADDITIONAL POINTS THEY WOULD WISH TO ADD.

3. CANADIAN SUPPORTED THE NEED FOR A "SNAPSHOT" OF THE PRESENT SITUATION, AND FOR CONTINUED EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON BASKET II DEVELOPMENTS. HE RECOMMENDED, AND COMMITTEE AGREED, THAT HENCEFORTH THERE BE A REGULAR ITEM ON THE WEEKLY AGENDA UNDER WHICH MEMBERS COULD SUBMIT SUCH INFORMATION.

4. CHAIRMAN DREW CONCLUSION THAT THE ECONOMIC DIRECTORATE WOULD, BY MID-NOVEMBER, DRAFT A REPORT ON CSCE BASKET II DEVELOPMENTS, WHICH WOULD BE SCHEDULED FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL, AFTER WHICH IT WOULD BE FORWARDED TO POLADS FOR INCLUSION IN THEIR OVERALL REPORT TO THE NAC.

5. WHILE THE MATTER SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN OVERTAKEN FOR THE MOMENT, USECONAD CONFIRMED PER REFS E AND F THAT US WAS PREPARED TO RESUME PERIODIC CONSULTATIONS IN THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE WITH ALLIED ECE REPS. FRENCH REP WAS ABSENT FROM MEETING, BUT BELGIAN (DE BROUWERE) EXPRESSED SATISFACTION. NO OTHER REPS TOOK THE MATTER FURTHER.

6. WE ARE TRANSMITTING BY AIRGRAM COPIES OF A GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE STUDY, "ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF THE CSCE", WHICH THE GERMAN ECONAD RECENTLY CIRCULATED. ALTHOUGH MORE THEOLOGICALLY THAN OPERATIONALLY ORIENTED, IT WILL GIVE A CONFIDENTIAL

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USEFUL INSIGHT INTO GERMAN THINKING ON THIS TOPIC.

7. ON OCTOBER 13 ASSISTANT UK ECONAD, MCKINLEY, INFORMED US FCO WAS CONCERNED THAT NO EXPERTS MEETING ON CSCE BASKET II WOULD TAKE PLACE SOON. LONDON BELIEVED IT WAS HIGHLY DESIRABLE THAT POLICY EXPERTS FROM CAPITALS MEET, PREFERABLY NO LATER THAN MID-NOVEMBER, TO DISCUSS AND SET GUIDELINES FOR FURTHER ECONAD FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES OVER THE LONG TERM. WE NOTED USUAL CONSTRAINTS FOR PARTICIPATION BY WASHINGTON OFFICIALS ON RELATIVELY SHORT NOTICE, BUT SAID WE WOULD INFORM DEPARTMENT OF BRITISH VIEW. WE ALSO INDICATED WE HAD RECEIVED SAME IMPRESSION AS CANADIANS, I.E., THAT EC NONE POSITION ON CSCE IMPLEMENTATION AS APPARENTLY INDICATED AT ECE AND UNESCO, DID NOT AUGUR WELL

FOR EARLY MEETING OF NATURE UK SOUGHT. AFTER MCKINLEY SAID IT WAS LONDON'S IMPRESSION THAT THE EC ROME MEETING ON CSCE (CF. DUBLIN 1863) HAD BEEN A PRODUCTIVE ONE, WE URGED THAT UK MAKE AVAILABLE TO US, PREFERABLY BOTH HERE AND ALSO IN WASHINGTON, FULLER DETAILS ON THAT MEETING SINCE THIS WOULD ASSIST IN FORMILATION OF US REACTION TO UK DESIRE FOR EXPERTS MEETING.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR RESPONSE TO UK APPROACH IN PARA 7, REF E NOTWITHSTANDING.STREATOR

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